

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

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Claim 1 (currently amended): A fuel tank having improved durability and corrosion-resistance properties made from an Al coated steel sheet having an alkali-soluble resin film directly formed on a surface of said Al-coated steel sheet wherein the alkali-soluble resin film is a protective film for providing at least anti-scratching properties, ~~wherein the alkali-soluble resin film~~ and is removable from the surface of said Al-coated steel sheet after press-forming to a final shape, and wherein the resin film is having an acid value of 40-90 and containing carboxyl groups, wherein 1-50% hydrogen atoms in the carboxyl groups being substituted with alkali metal, and the resin film being soluble in an alkali liquid of pH 9.0 or higher ~~and has a carboxyl group in its molecule with an acid value of 40-90.~~

Claims 2-4 (cancelled).

Claim 5 (previously presented): The fuel tank made from an Al coated steel sheet defined in claim 1, wherein the alkali-soluble resin is urethane.

Claim 6 (previously presented): The fuel tank made from an Al coated steel sheet defined in claim 1, wherein the resin film is mixed with 1-25 mass % a powdery synthetic resin.

Claim 7 (previously presented): The fuel tank made from an Al coated steel sheet defined in claim 1, wherein the resin film has a thickness of 0.2-5.0 μm formed on the fuel tank made from an Al coated steel sheet.

Claim 8 (cancelled).

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Cont.* Claim 9 (previously presented): The fuel tank made from an Al coated steel sheet defined in claim 1, wherein the alkali-soluble resin is acrylic resin.

Claim 10 (previously presented): The fuel tank made from an Al coated steel sheet defined in claim 1, wherein the resin film is mixed with 1-30 mass % powdery silica.
